IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

KIMIKO KIMIO WILSON,

No. C 11-0185 WHA (PR)

Petitioner,

ORDER DENYING MOTION TO REOPEN

VS.

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ANTHONY HEDGEPETH, Warden,

(Docket Nos. 2, 3, 5, 6)

Respondent.

Petitioner, a California prisoner proceeding pro se, filed this petition for a writ of habeas corpus under 28 U.S.C. 2254. The petition was dismissed without prejudice because Petitioner indicated that when he filed the petition he had a habeas petition pending in the state superior court (Pet. 5). See Sherwood v. Tomkins, 716 F.2d 632, 634 (9th Cir. 1983) (habeas exhaustion requirement is not satisfied if there is a pending proceeding in state court). Petitioner has filed a motion to reopen this case because the state superior court proceedings have since ended. The appropriate time to assess whether a prisoner has exhausted his state remedies is when the federal petition is filed, not when it comes on for hearing federal court. Gatlin v. Madding, 189 F.3d 882, 889 (9th Cir. 1999); Brown v. Maass, 11 F.3d 914, 915 (9th Cir. 1993). Where, as here, the petitioner exhausts after filing, he can bring that up in a subsequent petition, Gatlin, 189 F.3d at 889. Petitioner may file a new federal petition in a new case, but his motion to reopen this case (docket number 11) is **DENIED**.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: March ______, 2011.

WILLIAM ALSUP UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE

NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

KIMIKO KIMIO WILSON,

Plaintiff,

Case Number: CV11-00185 WHA

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

v.

ANTHONY HEDGPETH et al,

Defendant.

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I am an employee in the Office of the Clerk, U.S. District Court, Northern District of California.

That on March 14, 2011, I SERVED a true and correct copy(ies) of the attached, by placing said copy(ies) in a postage paid envelope addressed to the person(s) hereinafter listed, by depositing said envelope in the U.S. Mail, or by placing said copy(ies) into an inter-office delivery receptacle located in the Clerk's office.

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Dated: March 14, 2011

Richard W. Wieking, Clerk

By: Brenda Yolbert, Deputy Clerk